

Braley addressed Subcommittee on Health at hearing today

Washington, DC - Rep. Bruce Braley (D-Iowa) addressed the Subcommittee on Health today at a hearing on breast cancer awareness, patient protection and mammogram availability.

Specifically, the hearing addressed the following four bills: H.R. 995, the Mammogram and MRI Availability Act of 2009, H.R. 1691, the Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2009, H.R. 1740, the Breast Cancer Education and Awareness Requires Learning Young Act of 2009, and H.R. 2279, the Eliminating Disparities in Breast Cancer Treatment Act of 2009.

"In the midst of work on broad Healthcare reform and during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the House should pause to consider addressing access to care, education, and treatment for breast cancer.

"Improving access to care by ensuring the coverage of breast cancer screening and treatments by insurance will ensure that women can receive the care they deserve. Education at an early age on the risks and diagnoses of breast cancer can make early detection possible and improve the chances of survival. Comparative effectiveness studies on treatments in relation to breast cancer can improve the quality of care these patients receive and further improve their chances of survival."